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Sent: Friday, January 29, 2016 8:38 PM **To:** GOLDFARB Gabriela * GOV

Cc: Grandinetti, Cami; 'DECONCINI Nina'; Stohs, Sheryl **Subject:** Declined: Environmental Justice Task Force Meeting

Hello.

I am unable to attend, but wanted to provide an update from the January meeting. EPA is actively contacting the groups suggested by the EJ TASK FORCE. Additionally, we followed up with the Coalition of Communities of Color. Although they declined EPA's offer to provide a special meeting/session specific for the Coalition, EPA provided the schedule of events and invitations to attend the general community information sessions being held across the City.

Please provide this announcement and schedule of events to the members during the February meeting. We ask that members share the schedule of events, or link to our site, with their contacts. As discussed, in April, EPA will provide notification of the Proposed Plan to the EJ TASK FORCE.

Thank you,

Alanna

EPA has launched a series of presentations, information sessions and webinars for everyone interested in the health and welfare of the Lower Willamette River. Come and learn about:

- 2 What lies on the bottom of this urban, working waterway.
- The health and ecological risks at Portland Harbor and why EPA is taking action
- How Superfund cleanups are designed, engineered and paid for.
- How to "gear up" to comment on the Proposed Cleanup Plan this spring.

In early April, EPA will release a Proposed Cleanup Plan and seek formal public comments for two months. This Plan will offer a detailed picture of EPA's preferred cleanup methods for recovering the Lower Willamette River, making it a cleaner, healthier place to live, work and play. The Record-of-Decision, or final plan, will be released at the end of 2016.

Until then, EPA will host information sessions the help the community learn more about Portland Harbor. Here is the latest list of information sessions, times & locations. Come early and talk with EPA and Oregon Department of Environmental Quality representatives during the open house period which begins 30 minutes before each session:

- Thursday, Feb 4th 12 noon, EPA INFORMATION SESSION, Portland City Building, 2nd Floor Auditorium, 1120 SW 5th Ave, Portland, OR
- Monday, Feb 8th 7pm, EPA INFORMATION SESSION, Audubon Society, 5151 NW Cornell Rd, Portland, OR
- Tuesday, Feb 9th 7pm, League of Women Voters, Multnomah County Building Board Room, 501 SE Hawthorne Boulevard, Portland, OR
- Thursday, Feb 11th 7pm, EPA INFORMATION SESSION, Matt Dishman Community Center, 77 NE Knott St, Portland, OR
- Thursday, Feb 18th 5:30pm, EPA INFORMATION SESSION, Woodrow Wilson High School Cafeteria, 1151 SW Vermont St, Portland, OR

- Tuesday, Feb 23rd 7pm, Community Advisory Group Forum, Linnton Community Center, 10614 NW St Helens Rd, Portland, OR
- Thursday, March 3rd Live Webinar EPA INFORMATION SESSION, Time, Details TBD
- Thursday, March 17th 6pm, EPA INFORMATION SESSION, SE Multicultural Center, 4610 SE Belmont St, Portland, OR
- Saturday, March 19th 1pm, EPA INFORMATION SESSION, Matt Dishman Center 1151 SW Vermont St, Portland, OR

For more about the Portland Harbor cleanup and the latest meeting schedule, please consult our website: http://go.usa.gov/3Wf2B